

WILLIAM STILL  
**the Underground  
Railroad** PART I



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## The Underground Railroad, Part 1

by William Still (1821-1902)

"It was my good fortune to lend a helping hand to the weary travelers flying from the land of bondage."

*William Still.*

"Dear Sir: For most of the years I have lived, the escape of fugitives from slavery, and their efforts to baffle the human and other bloodhounds who tracked them, formed the romance of American History. That romance is now ended, and our grandchildren will hardly believe its leading incidents except on irresistible testimony. I rejoice that you are collecting and presenting that testimony, and heartily wish you a great success."

*Horace Greeley.*

William Still is often called the Father of the Underground Railroad. Over fourteen years, he helped hundreds of slaves escape to freedom in Canada. Still was committed to preserving the stories of the bondmen and he kept careful records of the many escaped slaves who passed through the Philadelphia "station". *The Underground Railroad* was published in 1871 from Still's records and diaries. In bringing you these stories, LibriVox volunteers are reading from the 1878 edition.



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